

REMARKS

These remarks are responsive to the Office Action dated April 26, 2005. Entry of the amendments is respectfully requested. Claims 1, 4, 10, 11, 13, 15, 17, 22, 24, 27 and 31 have been amended for allowance as suggested by the Office Action. Claims 2, 3, 14, 23, and 26 have been canceled. Claims 1, 3-13, 15-22, 24, 25, and 27-34 are pending. The application stands with allowable claims.

Claims 10 and 17 were objected to for lack of antecedent basis. Claims 10 and 17 have been amended. It is respectfully submitted the objection should be withdrawn.

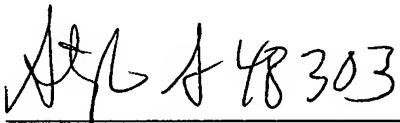
Applicants thank the Examiner for identification of allowable subject matter. Specifically, the Examiner states that claims 3-10, 12, 14-19, 23-25 and 27-34 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the features of the base claim and any intervening claims. The claims have been amended accordingly.

Claims 1, 2, 11, 13, 20, 21, 22, and 26 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Moon (U.S. Patent No. 6,749,315) in view of Yasuda (U.S. Patent No. 6,794,801) and further in view of Skinner (U.S. Patent No. 6,341,879). Claim 1 has been amended to incorporate claims 2 and 3. Claim 2 has been canceled. Claim 11 depends from claim 1 which is allowable. Claim 13 has been amended to incorporate claim 14. Claim 20 depends from claim 13 which is allowable. Claim 21 depends from claim 20 which is allowable. Claim 22 has been amended to incorporate claim 23. Claim 26 has been canceled. Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that the rejection should be withdrawn.

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Applicants respectfully submit that the instant application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner feels, however, that further amendment and/or discussion may be helpful in facilitating prosecution of the case, the Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned attorney of record at the number appearing below.

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